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NOTE: FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PROPOSED MESSAGE TO ALL POSTS IN FRG, STATE, USDOC BERN AND VIENNA. POSTS COMMENTS AND CLEARANCE ARE HEREBY INVITED.

1. EMBASSY'S THANKS TO ALL POSTS PARTICIPATING IN FBP
MEETING IN BONN, FRIDAY, MARCH 25. MEETING UNCOVERED
LARGE AREAS OF AGREEMENT AND SOME AREAS IN WHICH FURTHER
DEFINITION IS REQUIRED BEFORE WE HAVE AN AGREED STANDARD
OPERATING PROCEDURE. EMBASSY JUDGES MEETING A SOLID
SUCCESS IN IDENTIFYING MAJOR PROBLEM AREAS AND SUGGESTING SOLUTIONS.
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2. FOLLOWING POINTS REPRESENT CURRENT STATE OF PLAY OF OUR PROGRAM FOR FY 78:

A. WE WILL DEFINITELY WORK WITH HAPAG-LLOYD STUDIEN-REISE OF FRANKFURT IN REGARD TO TWO SHOWS: INTELCOM AND THE WOODWORKING MACHINERY/FURNITURE SUPPLY SHOW. B. IN REGARD OTHER THREE RED CARPET SHOWS (SPORTING GOODS, HARDWARE, INSTRUMENTATION/AUTOMATION), CO-MANAGING POSTS ARE STILL EXPLORING ALTERNATIVES TO WORKING WITH HAPAG-LLOYD. OF THESE THREE SHOWS, WE FACE SERIOUS TIME PRESSURE ONLY WITH ONE (NATIONAL SPORTING GOODS ASSOCIATION SHOW IN JANUARY 1978) AND CO-MANAGING POST (MUNICH) HAS AGREED TO MAKE RECOMMENDATION ABOUT TRAVEL AGENT TO BE USED BY THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 77. OTHER TWO CO-MANAGING POSTS ARE URGED TO MAKE SIMILAR DECISION BY NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MAY 6, 1977.

C. EACH CO-MANAGING POST WILL DRAFT GAME PLAN FOR ITS SHOW AND CLEAR IT WITH BONN PRIOR TO IMPLEMENTING AND DISTRIBUTING TO OTHER POSTS. GAME PLAN SHOULD CONTAIN QUANTIFIED GOALS WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

D. WE BELIEVE MISSION ABILITY TO FURNISH ESCORTS FOR SELECTED FBP EVENTS IS IMPORTANT AND WILL MAKE MEASURABLE CONTRIBUTION TO SUCCESS OF FBP PROGRAM FOR FRG. EMBASSY WILL, THEREFORE, QUERY USDOC AND/OR TOKYO AND OTHER POSTS WHICH HAVE ESCORT OFFICER PROGRAMS TO TRY TO FIND IDEAS ON WRITING SET OF INSTRUCTIONS TO ESCORTS (I.E. IN NATURE OF CHECK-LIST OF THINGS TO BE DONE).

E. TO EXTENT REALISTICALLY POSSIBLE, MISSION WILL WORK WITH THOSE TRAVEL AGENTS WHICH AGREE ROUTE TRAVELERS ON US CARRIERS.

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F. WHILE CONCEPT OF QUANTIFIED GOALS IS DIFFICULT TO REALIZE, IT IS NOT RPT NOT IMPOSSIBLE AND SHOULD BE PURSUED, ESPECIALLY IN REGARD TO GENERAL ORDER OF MAGNITUDE OF PER CAPITA BUYING TO BE EXPECTED FROM AVERAGE GERMAN BUYER ATTENDING A GIVEN SHOW.

 ${\rm G.}\,$ IN EVALUATING TRAVEL AGENTS CO-MANAGERS WILL CONSULT WITH USTS. STOESSEL.

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